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VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

ALWAYS FOR LIBERTY AND THE PUBLICK GOOD.

DONT TREAD ON ME

High HEAVEN to GRACIOUS ENDS directs the STORM.

Westover, *August* 1, 1777.

THE earneſt deſire I have to ſettle the affairs of the late col. *Byrd* obliges me again to requeſt the favour of all perſons who have demands againſt his eſtate to make them known, and that they would furniſh me with their accounts, ſtated from their laſt tranſactions with that gentleman. Theſe accounts I ſhould be glad to receive as ſoon as poſſible, as I am anxious to give his creditors every ſatisfaction in my power. I am, in a particular manner, to entreat thoſe gentlemen who may have been employed to collect money for col. *Byrd* to furniſh me with a liſt of his debts in their hands; and as many judgments may have been entered againſt his debtors in different county courts, I will thankfully pay the clerks for copies of ſuch judgments. Thoſe perſons who may not have convenient opportunities to *Weſtover* will pleaſe to ſend the papers I have requeſted to mr. *Jaquelin Baker*, near *Peterſburg*, who will pay any expenſe of poſtage, or for copies of judgments, as above deſired.

MARY BYRD, executrix.

N. B. It appearing, from col. *Byrd's* books, that very large ſums are due to him for lottery tickets, and on other accounts, it will be taken particularly kind of his debtors to be ſpeedy in making payment. (4)

Auguſt 6, 1777.

THIS is to adverтiſe the publick, that the land whereon I live, called and known by the name of *VAUXHALL*, containing 390⅝ acres, with three good plantations, good orchards of apples, peaches, and cherries, will be ſold altogether, or in parcels, as may beſt ſuit the purchaſer or purchaſers, on *Monday* the 25th inſtant, for ready money; alſo a griſt and double ſaw mill within one mile of *Vauxhall*, on the ſame day, and 25 *Virginia* born ſlaves, for ready money alſo. The ſeveral plantations are under good fences, and land ſufficient to work 15 hands.

PHIL JOHNSON.
JAMES BRAY JOHNSON.

FAIRFAX county, *Auguſt* 1, 1777.

I DO hereby certify, that my ſon *Philip Grimes* has deſerted my houſe, and now is going about in an idle manner; and the cauſe for his leaving me is on account that I am againſt and will not give my conſent that he ſhould intermarry with a certain *Bathſheba Hollis* (alias *Jackſon*) who is a *melater*, and do forewarn all miniſters to publiſh or marry the ſaid *Philip Grimes* to any perſon whatever, while under age, as he is but 20 years old the 24th day of *December* next. ‖ PHILIP GRIMES.

Auguſt 1, 1777.

WHEREAS my wife *Elizabeth* has behaved in a very uncommon manner to me of late, this is to forewarn all perſons from having any dealings with her on my account, as I will not be anſwerable for any debts of her contracting after this date. 1‖ THOMAS HUNTON.

To be SOLD to the higheſt bidder, on Monday *the* 18*th of* Auguſt, *on the premiſes*,

A TRACT of valuable land in *Amelia* county, near the courthouſe, lying on both ſides of *Little* creek, containing 746 acres, upon which is a plantation, in good order for cropping, ſufficient to work 8 or 10 hands, with neceſſary houſes for the reception of a family, and a fine young orchard of 200 apple and 3 or 400 peach trees juſt beginning to bear. The land is fine for tobacco and corn, the ſoil of the greateſt part being exceeding rich. One half of the purchaſe money to be paid on the acknowledgment of the deed, the other half on the 1ſt day of *September* 1779. —— Alſo to be ſold, on the above terms, on *Wednesday* the 20th of *Auguſt*, a tract of land in *Prince Edward*, about 6 miles below the courthouſe, containing about 420 acres. It is very good for tobacco, corn, and wheat; and there is a fine new plantation, ſufficient to work 4 hands, with an overſeer's houſe, *&c.* Bond and ſecurity will be required, to carry intereſt from the date if not punctually paid. —— The greateſt part of the ſtock of cattle, hogs, and ſheep, belonging to each plantation, will be ſold to the higheſt bidders, for ready money, on the ſame days the lands are ſold.

‖ WILLIAM THOMPSON.

To be RENTED, and entered on the 1ſt day of November *next*,

THE houſes on the main road leading from *Hanover* courthouſe to *Hanover* town, conveniently ſituated for the purpoſe of tavern-keeping, or reſidence for a private family, having eight good rooms below and two above ſtairs, with a good kitchen, dairy, waſh houſe, meat houſe, and a large barn and ſtable. Any perſon inclinable to rent may know the terms by application to the ſubſcriber, on the premiſes. THOMAS SMITH.

FOR SALE for cash, or *European* and *Weſt India* goods, a TRACT of LAND near the *Halfway Houſe* between *York* and *Hampton*, pleaſantly ſituated on the main road, whereon is a good dwelling-houſe, kitchen, and other convenient houſes, with very good apple and peach orchards. Any perſon inclinable to purchaſe may know the terms by applying to mr. *Daniel Preſſon*, living near the premiſes. Alſo 100 acres of *WOOD LAND* within 5 miles of *Portſmouth* town, whereon is a great quantity of very fine pine and oak timber for ſhip building, and it is within a mile of a very good landing. For terms apply to the ſubſcriber, in *Portſmouth*.

‖ THOMAS TOMER.

For SALE,

A CHAISE-MARINE, or port waggon, with harneſs for two or four horſes, all in good repair.

‖ W. GOOSLEY.

YORK, *Auguſt* 7, 1777.

NEXT *Monday* will be ſold before mr. *Galt's* door, in the town of *Richmond*, three likely *Virginia* born SLAVES, for ready money. 1‖

To be SOLD to the higheſt bidder, for ready money, on Monday *the* 1ſt *of* September, *at* Richmond *town, in* Henrico *county*,

A VERY good SCHOONER, of about 75 tuns burthen, with her tackle, rigging, anchors, and boats, alſo two anchors and a large boat, the property of capt. *Caleb Davis*, deceaſed. And will be ſold at the late dwelling houſe of the ſaid *Davis*, in *Bermuda hundred*, on *Thurſday* the 28th inſtant, ſundry houſehold and kitchen furniture, alſo two good cows and calves, with three good horſes, and a very good new double chair and harneſs. The terms will be agreed on at the time of ſale. All perſons indebted to the ſaid eſtate are deſired to come and pay off their accounts, and thoſe who have any demands againſt it are deſired to bring them in proved, that they may receive payment.

‖ JOHN ARCHER, exec.

Auguſt 1, 1777.

For SALE,

A SHIP now on the ſtocks, burthen about 200 tuns, about half built, and well calculated for tobacco. Any perſon inclinable to purchaſe may know the terms and be ſhewn the veſſel, by applying to *David Ported*, near *Peterſburg*.

FOR SALE, 1300 *ACRES* of *LAND* on *Sweathouſe* creek, *Amelia* county, 12 miles from *Peterſburg*, whereon is a good valuable meadow ground. The buildings are new, and in tolerable order for the reception of a genteel family. A farther deſcription is thought unneceſſary, as it is preſumed that any perſon inclinable to purchaſe will come and view the premiſes. The terms will be quite eaſy.

‖ EDWARD MUNFORD.

To be SOLD, on Saturday *the* 30*th inſtant* (Auguſt) *on the premiſes*,

A TRACT of good tobacco land in the county of *Orange*, about 8 miles above the courthouſe, on the roads that lead from *Charlotteſville*, in the county of *Albemarle*, to *Fredericksburg*, containing by eſtimation 1000 acres, with a plantation thereon ſufficient to work 8 hands. A large ſwamp runs through the whole of this tract, where is a great quantity of timber, alſo a great deal of fine meadow land on both ſides the ſwamp. Any perſon inclinable to purchaſe may be ſhewn the land by applying to the ſubſcriber, who is properly authoriſed to ſell the ſame for *Burr Harriſon*, eſq. ‖ T. BARBOUR.

WHEREAS *Peter Preſly Thornton*, eſq; of *Northumberland* county, has by his letter conſtituted and authoriſed me the ſubſcriber his lawful and acting attorney during his abſence from this commonwealth, this is to requeſt and adverтiſe all perſons who have any demands againſt him, being properly authenticated, to apply for payment thereof, and that every perſon who is indebted to him will immediately ſettle their accounts, and pay the ſame, that the ſaid attorney may be ſpeedily enabled to ſatisfy and adjuſt all matters relative to the affairs of the ſaid *P. P. Thornton*. 2‖ JOHN MACKAY.

BOSTON, *July* 19.

LAST Sunday arrived at this port the brigantine Freedom, of 12 guns, in the service of this state, John Clouston, esq; commander, in 40 days from Nantz. Capt. Clouston sailed from Marblehead the 8th of last March, and has since taken 16 sail of vessels, 5 of which he burnt, gave two away, for the sake of getting rid of the prisoners, and discharged 9 for port, three of which are arrived; all this last, except one, are undoubtedly retaken, or lost. The brig came loaded entirely with military stores. Capt. Clouston informs, that the brig Rising States, of this port, commanded by capt. Thorndike, was taken by a British frigate, and carried into Bristol.

Monday last was sent into an eastern port a [illegible] brigantine, by capt. M'Clary, laden with green fish and salt.

Last Tuesday arrived at a safe port a prize brig, laden with rum; she was bound from Jamaica to Liverpool, and was captured by capt. Oaks, in the private armed brig Unity. She sailed from Jamaica the 1st instant of April last, in company with 50 sail of merchantmen, under convoy of a frigate.

Friday last being the anniversary of American independence, when the 13 United States publickly and gloriously [illegible] the manacles forged by George the [illegible] tyrant, and nobly resumed [illegible] which God and nature bestow[illegible] the day was noticed by every [illegible]

PHILADELPHIA, *July* 24.

By a gentleman from Boston, we are informed that capts. Manly and M'Neil, in two continental frigates, have taken the Fox frigate of 28 guns, the Lion frigate of 20 guns, on the banks of Newfoundland. M'Neil's ship is put into Boston to refit. They manned the Fox immediately, and so all her hands entered on board the two American ships.

Extract of a letter from Shrewsbury, dated July 13.

"*On Sunday the 20th instant I had the pleasure of informing you that 160 sail of the enemy's fleet had come from the Watering place, and lay in Sandy Hook bay. On Monday morning 15 transports and men of war's boats, and about 10 o'clock 80 more ships, sloops, and sloops, came out of the Narrows, and joined the grand fleet. On Tuesday they lay still, but this morning, at half past 4, the signal gun for sailing was fired, the wind N. W. and at 7 they began to get under way, and stood for sea. After they got clear of the Hook, they steered a S. E. course under a very easy sail, in three divisions. I attended their motions until sun down, and perceived very little difference in their course, sometimes appearing to steer a little to the eastward, at other times somewhat to the southward.*

"*By a deserter from on board the transport ship America, I am this morning informed that three parts of general Howe's army, which crossed from the state to Staten island, have been sent to New York; he cannot say their number, but thinks not exceeding 5000. He also informs, that the remainder, except two Hessian regiments, which were left as a guard upon the island, were embarked on board this fleet.*"

BALTIMORE, *July* 29.

Extract of a letter from Philadelphia, dated July 26.

THE account of captains Manly and M'Neil, in two continental frigates, having taken the Fox frigate of 28 guns, is confirmed. Manly engaged her three glasses before M'Neil got up; on his getting up he endeavoured to throw his ship into stays, with a view to rake the Fox fore and aft, but unfortunately his ship missed stays, when he received a whole broadside in his stern, and a dangerous wound. Manly had 13 men killed the first broadside, and some afterwards; the Fox had 12 killed during the action. Manly's first lieutenant has the command of the prize, and remains out on a cruize. M'Neil's ship, being much damaged, is returned to refit.--Since the fleet, consisting of 260 sail, went out of the Hook on Wednesday morning, we have no intelligence of them, which makes us conclude they are bound to New England, where I doubt not they will meet with a proper reception. General Sullivan, with three brigades, it is said has crossed the North river.

"A letter from Pecks Kill, dated the 21st instant, says, we have an account that general St. Clair, being strongly reinforced, had, by forced and stolen marches, thrown a considerable body of men in the rear of Burgoyne's army that were pursuing our retreat, and had destroyed their boats, which cut off a retreat, engaged the enemy front and rear, took and killed 1000, and put the whole to the rout, who fled to the mountains. This account we had yesterday, without saying how they got the information, and as yet wants confirmation; but it bears a strong face of probability, as it is known general St Clair had a large reinforcement from Connecticut, besides the troops sent up under general Nixon from Pecks Kill.

"Deserters say, that there are no regular troops left at Staten Island, only about 300 of the new levies, and about 2000 regulars and Hessians at New York.

"Above two thirds of general Washington's army are now on their march for this city; the remainder are sent to New England, under general Sullivan. General Mifflin, and others, are expected in town to night. The affair of St. Clair's defeating the enemy seems to gain credit, as sundry letters from head quarters mention it, though no express from the general; the enemy's loss said to be 1500 taken and killed, and 600 boats destroyed.

WILLIAMSBURG, *August* 8.

LAST Tuesday the Hon. Mrs. Washington arrived in this city, amidst the ringing of bells, several discharges of artillery and vollies of small arms from the troops stationed here, and the general good wishes of all the inhabitants, who have the greatest regard for her Ladyship's own personal merit, and a grateful sense of the eminent services rendered to the United American States by her illustrious consort.

Extract of a letter from Philadelphia, July 29.

"The enemy's fleet sailed last week, one division of which was seen last Saturday off Egg harbour, about 50 miles to the northward of these capes. It is yet uncertain whether this is not a feint to draw general Washington to the south, and harass his troops with long marches. We are preparing to receive mr. Howe, should he really intend an attack upon this city; and the general is so posted as to be ready to meet him, wherever he may go. I hear it is supposed at camp, upon what foundation I know not, that the enemy's design is to form a line from somewhere about Newcastle to the Head of Elk, and enclose all the country from thence to Cape Charles; for which purpose one division of the fleet is to go to Chesapeake, and land the troops at Elk. If they have really any such intention, they are induced to it by the number of Tories in that quarter. It is but a paltry scheme, well fitted, however, to Howe's genius."

Extract of another letter, of the same date, from Philadelphia.

"General Howe sailed last Thursday morning, with 260 sail, from the Sound, supposed to have 18,000 troops on board, standing S. E. General Clinton, with 3000, remains at New York.--General Nash came down here on Sunday from Trenton, with his brigade. General Washington is marching with his army, in four divisions, by different routes, to this city. He can ferry 4000 men across the Delaware in an hour, with the boats he applies to waggons, besides the artillery, baggage, &c. General Mifflin has just received a letter from the general, with orders to view the ground and passes low down the Delaware, and to employ guides, &c. as he is determined to keep Howe and his army at bay. Orders are gone to employ all the bakers in this city to bake biscuit for the army, who are in high spirits, and well found with all necessaries for a campaign. Generals Gates, Mifflin, Armstrong, and Nash, are now here. I expect the militia will be called out in a few days. All the general officers with Howe may come here, as he will meet with a warm reception."

Extract of a letter from Fredericksburg, August 5.

"There is a report in Philadelphia, that the Fox frigate is retaken by a 44 gun ship, though it is not fully credited. --Two persons, it is said, are apprehended at head quarters, who confess that they were sent out by the enemy to assassinate general Washington. May Almighty God defend and protect our beloved general from the machinations of such vile miscreants, the once famed and generous Briton! May he live to accomplish the glorious work--Feast independence, and receive the grateful plaudit of his country!

By col. Finnie and mr. Duncan Rose, just returned from Philadelphia, who left it last Friday morning, we learn that his excellency general Washington arrived in that city the evening before, and next day set out for Chester, about 15 miles from Philadelphia, accompanied by general Gates and other officers, to reconnoitre the grounds on the Delaware; that the main body of our army is now at Germantown; general Putnam with 3000 men opposite to Pecks Kill, and general Nash's brigade, and col. Proctor with his artillery, at Chester, computing a body of about 8000. Eighteen hundred militia are posted at different stations on the Delaware.----An express arrived to general Mifflin, in Philadelphia, on Friday morning, from the capes of Delaware, with advice that Howe's fleet had disappeared. General Gates had received a letter from Nantz, with an account of 18 sail of the line, and a number of other vessels, with troops on board, having sailed from Brest the 7th of May, supposed for Quebec.--General Washington is in perfect health; the troops well fed, well clothed, and in high spirits, and eager to come to blows with the enemy.

By an advertisement in the last Baltimore Journal, the publick are informed that they may be furnished with SALT PANS of different sizes at Northampton furnace, about ten miles from Baltimore, and may likewise have them made agreeable to any order sent to the manager, mr. Henry Howard.

At a court of Oyer and Terminer held on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, at the Capitol in this city, the following prisoners were brought to their trials, viz. William Vitally, from Williamsburg, and Joseph Taylor, from Spotsylvania, for grand larceny; burnt in the hand. William Webb, from Norfolk, for grand larceny, Benjamin Weeks, from Orange, for horse stealing, and William Davis, from Elizabeth City, for manslaughter; acquitted by the petit jury. John Roper, from Henrico, for passing counterfeit money; and Mary Leith, from Prince George, for murder; acquitted by the grand jury. Andrew Wayles, William Hepburn, Phillip Daw, and George Muir, from [illegible] for treason; acquitted by the grand [illegible]

Thomas Davis from Fairfax, for treason, convicted, but discharged on a motion in arrest of judgment.

To capt. THOMAS MATHEWS, *of the 4th Virginia regiment.*

SIR,

YOU are immediately to repair to the commonwealth of *Virginia*, as superintendent of the recruiting service for your regiment. You are therefore to make particular inquiry into the conduct and behaviour of the officers, and examine their accounts as often as is consistent with the good of the service. The officers who appear to be most negligent, or meet with the worst success, you are to despatch to join the regiment as soon as your recruiting officers can make up 10 men. This rule you are to observe during your residence in *Virginia*, as men in small parties generally meet with better accommodation than when in large bodies. You are once a month to transmit me an account of the conduct and proceedings of each officer, in order that the active, diligent, and obedient, may be taken proper notice of, and the indolent and careless punished as their crimes deserve. Any matters not particularly mentioned in these instructions are left to your own prudence and discretion.——Given at *Middle Brook* camp, *July* 8, 1777.

CHARLES SCOTT, B. G.
RO. LAWSON, lieut. col. command. 4th *Virginia* reg.

WILLIAMSBURG, *August* 5, 1777.

THE recruiting officers of the 4th *Virginia* regiment are desired to attend at mr. *Southall's*, in the city of *Williamsburg*, on the first day of *September* next, with their recruiting accounts properly stated, in order to make a settlement, and receive such instructions as are absolutely necessary for the good of the service.

THOMAS MATHEWS, capt. superintendent of the recruiting service for the 4th *Virginia* regiment.

STAUNTON, *July* 25, 1777.

TO be LET for one year, or a term of years, the large commodious house and store formerly occupied by *Roger North*, deceased. The house is situated on the main street in this town, and has every necessary convenience for a merchant or tavern-keeper. For terms apply to

6‖ G. NORTH, administratrix.

☞ All persons indebted to the estate are desired to settle their accounts, and those who have any demands to apply for payment. G. NORTH, adm.

AS I intend for *France* immediately, I have appointed capt. *John Archer* of *Chesterfield* my attorney, to settle my affairs in my absence.

1‖ HENRY STRATTON, lieut. brig *Rochester*.

Ten POUNDS Reward.

WHEREAS I have received information, that some malevolent slanderer, instigated by the basest motives, has been daring enough to insinuate that I was concerned with certain persons lately apprehended for some gross forgeries upon the treasury office, and had absconded on account thereof, and the same was publickly mentioned at mr. *Langstone's* in *Suffolk* on *Saturday* last, in the presence of a number of gentlemen, by whom my character was well known, and defended: In justice to myself, and that such atrocious villains may be taught that no rank or affluence is a sufficient protection for such mean and dastardly practices, I hereby promise the above reward to any person who will enable me to detect the cowardly villain of a reputation hitherto unsullied, except by the serpentine tongue of such [illegible] to be paid when the information will fix the origin of the said malevolent report, or any particular author.

MORTON BRIEN.

To be SOLD to the highest bidder, on Thursday the 21st instant (August) being Spotsylvania court day,

THE reversion of sundry valuable SLAVES, now in the possession of mrs. *Anne Dansie*, who has her life in them, among whom is a valuable house wench and four fine fellows. The reversion of these slaves was legally vested in col. *Bernard Moore*, who has executed a conveyance of the same to mr. *Lostin Newman*, as security for a debt due to him. The purchaser may be assured that the title is indisputable.

1‖ THOMAS ROSE.

DESERTED from capt. *Halcomb's* company in the 4th *Virginia* regiment, *Levi Cooper*, serjeant, *Charles Jordin*, *John White*, *Jesse Brown*, and *Charles Key*, privates. The two first deserted from *Christiana* bridge, in the *Delaware* state; the other three were left sick in *Virginia* when the regiment marched to the Northward, and have since refused to join it. A reward of 25 dollars will be paid for *Cooper*, and 20 dollars for each of the privates, upon their being brought to *Williamsburg*, and delivered to any officer of the continental troops.

1‖ WILLIAM ROGERS, lieut. 4th reg.

COMMITTED to the jail of *Prince George*, a negro man who calls himself ADAM, but cannot tell his master's name. He appears to be about 40 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high, has a scar on the back of his left hand and arm, and one on the inside of his left leg, which were occasioned by fighting. He has also a large scar on his belly, and has with him a blanket, but no clothes. Whoever owns the said slave is desired to fetch him away, and pay charges.

2‖ HENRY BATTE, jailer.

Twenty DOLLARS Reward.

RUN away from the subscriber in *Staunton*, an *English* servant man named *William Robertson*, a shoemaker by trade, about 40 years old, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high, and has short black hair mixed with some grey; had on when he went away an old felt hat, old sagathy coat, old plush jacket, an old shirt of country linen, linen drawers, white yarn stockings, a pair of old pumps half worn, and pinchbeck buckles. Whoever takes up said servant in the county shall receive ten dollars reward, and if out of the county the above reward; and if brought home, all reasonable charges, paid by

1 JACOB PECK.

☞ All recruiting officers are forewarned to enlist him. He is much given to drink.

STRAYED or STOLEN from the subscriber, the 20th of *July*, two bay horses, one of them a stout well made horse, one if not both of his hind feet white, a star in his forehead; full 14 hands high: the other not so well made, and near 14 hands, has the appearance of a fistula rising on his withers. They have both been much worked in a waggon; their brands, if any, are forgot. I will give 20s. for each, delivered to me in *Williamsburg*, and 10l. on conviction of the thief, if stolen.

(tf) JAMES CARTER.

STRAYED from the subscriber living near *Port Royal*, about the first of *June*, two steers that have been worked a little, about 6 or 7 years old, one a red, the other a red and white, and white about the rump and tail; they are both marked with an under and over keel in the right ear, and a swallow fork in the left. Whoever brings the said steers to me, or will let me know where they are, so that I get them again, shall have 40s. reward.

2‖ JOHN CATLETT.

DESERTED from capt. *Pierce's* company of artillery, *John Griffith* (alias *Wells*) who is about 5 feet 10 inches high, has a family on the *Eastern Shore*, and is very well acquainted about *Back* river and *Hampton*. He was a sailor on board the *Virginia* frigate, and has taken several unlawful bounties. Whoever delivers the said deserter to his company, at *Portsmouth*, shall have 20 dollars reward.

1‖ WILLIAM POTTHERST, lieut.

DESERTED from my company in the 15th *Virginia* regiment, the following soldiers, *viz. John Saunders*, *Richard Haydon*, *Peter Kaeeve*, *John Cottrell*, and *John Watts*. Whoever delivers the said deserters to a continental officer shall have 20 dollars for each.

1‖ EDWIN HALL, capt.

DESERTED *from the ship Tartar, lying at Fraser's ferry, on Mattapony*, Joseph Martin, *about 30 years old, about 5 feet 6 inches high, of a dark complexion, and has black hair. Also* John Bass, *near 50 years old, about 5 feet 8 inches high, of a dark complexion, and has short black hair. They came both from* Middlesex. *Whoever brings them to the ship at Fraser's, or secures them so as they may be had again, shall have 10 dollars for each, and reasonable charges paid by*

2‖ RICHARD TAYLOR, capt.

RUN away from the subscriber, the 4th of *July*, a mulatto girl named *KATE*, or *Catharine*, about 5 feet high, has been brought up in the house from her infancy, and can work well with a needle. She is 19 or 20 years of age, has a smiling countenance when spoke to, and at some times is rather impertinent. She has endeavoured to pass for a free girl, and was going to the *West Indies* with the mate of some vessel, but was detected. She has now made a second elopement. I imagine she may be lurking about some of the shores, in order to get off. She has a great number of very good clothes, therefore it is uncertain what she may have with her. I will give a reward of 3l. to any person that will deliver her to col. *John Wilson* or mrs. *Mary Bradley*, at the *N. W. Landing*, *Norfolk* county, or to the jailer of *Elizabeth City*. MARY BRADLEY.

To be SOLD at public vendue, on Monday the 18th instant, at the North Landing, *in* Princess Anne *county*,

THE sloop *Meredith*, built of cedar, with all her tackle and apparel, agreeable to an inventory to be seen the day of sale. She is exceedingly well found with all small sails, and sails fast, is about 900 or 1000 bushels burthen, and hove down ready to take in a cargo. Also on the 18th instant will be sold, in the same manner, another cedar sloop called *The Independence*, as she now lies on shore about ten miles to the southward of *Cape Henry*, with her tackle, apparel, &c. agreeable to inventory, to be seen the day of sale. She is one year old, about 1200 bushels burthen, well found, and may be got up at an easy expense.

2‖ PHRIPP & BOWDOIN.

☞ If *Monday* and *Tuesday* do not turn out fair, the vessels will be sold the following days.

NORFOLK county, *August* 4, 1777.

STRAYED some time in *May* last, from the *Falls* church in *Fairfax* county, two dry cows. One a red, about 5 or 6 years old, with white face and belly, and in good order. The other red likewise, about 10 or 12 years old, with some white in her face and belly, and one hip higher than the other, occasioned by an old hurt; she is neither so large nor so likely as the other. They were purchased from a drover near *Staunton*, and possibly may be gone that way. They have both ear marks, which are not remembered. Whoever takes up said cows, and secures them so that the owner may get them again, shall have 20s. reward. JOHN GRAHAM.

To Lieutenant JAMES MERIWETHER.

SIR,

IN *Purdie*'s paper of *July* the 4th you offer a reward of 20 dollars to any perſon who will deliver to you my ſon *Lunſford Jones*, whom you ſeem to conſider as enliſted by you into the colonial ſervice. I have too much confidence in the wiſdom of thoſe who have formed our new conſtitution to ſuppoſe they have left it in the power of every recruiting officer, by declaring a man enliſted, to ſubject him to the penalties of deſertion. That thoſe who might be allured by your offer to lay violent hands on my ſon may know that the point will be conteſted at leaſt, I ſhall, through the channel of the ſame paper, ſtate ſome facts to the publick. My ſon is a youth of 17 years of age only. I ſome time ago ſent him from home on the buſineſs of our plantation. On his return, I was informed he had met with you, had undertaken to enliſt with you, and had received the bounty, but had not gone through the other ceremonies required by the act of Aſſembly, to wit, hearing the articles of war read to him, ſubſcribing them, and taking the oath of fidelity and obedience; and I knew you had not attended to a circumſtance I thought ſtill more important, of obtaining my conſent to the enliſtment of my infant ſon. I immediately forbad his following you, took from him the money, delivered it to a gentleman going to *Williamſburg*, who, on my behalf, tendered it to you, and notified my withholding my ſon by virtue of my paternal power. You choſe to reject the money. It is returned to my hands, and ſhall be faithfully preſerved for you till you ſhall pleaſe to call for it. Not truſting to my own judgment, I applied to counſel at law for advice on two points: 1. Whether an enliſtment, deficient in the legal circumſtances before ſtated, would have tranſferred a citizen, even of full age, from the civil into the military body? 2. Whether the paternal power, ſo abſolute in all other caſes, has, in this particular, been encroached on by any law, ſo as to emancipate a child from his natural ſubjection to his parents? I ſhall paſs over his reaſonings, and only ſay, he anſwered both queſtions negatively. My diſſent did not proceed from any want of zeal for the *American* cauſe, but from an attention to ſome circumſtances of the ſervice in which my ſon had engaged, which need not be mentioned here. My ſon continuing in the diſpoſition to ſerve his country in the military way, I attended him to an officer; ſaw him regularly enliſted in the continental ſervice, by taking the bounty and oath, ſubſcribing the articles, and hearing them read, and conſidered the whole by my conſent in writing. Had I deferred this ſtep a few months longer, the act for draughting the militia, which I had before underſtood would certainly paſs, would have been the means of his receiving a much higher bounty; but I choſe to preclude the imputation of acting on mercenary principles. I have endeavoured, in this, to unite the duties of a father and a friend to my country. Whether I have ſo far miſſed my aim as thereby to work out the death of my ſon, as for a deſertion of the publick cauſe, not your advertiſement, I truſt, nor yet any military uſages, but the laws of my country, will decide, if it ſhould be rendered neceſſary to appeal to them.

JAMES JONES.

RICHMOND county, *July* 19, 1777.

IN *April* laſt I engaged with mr. *George Yerby*, executor of *John Yerby*, deceaſed, to take up a proteſted bill of exchange drawn by the ſaid *John Yerby* in the year 1773 on meſſ. *Clay & Mingley*, merchants of *Liverpool*, in favour of mr. *Samuel Hipkins*, and endorſed by mr. *David Boyd* for the ſum of 178l. ſterling, which proteſt I was then informed was in the hands of mr. *William Maitland*, merchant of *Williamſburg*; and in order to diſcharge the ſame, I inſtructed a gentleman ſome days after to inquire for the ſaid *Maitland*, who was informed that he had removed from *Williamſburg*. The ſaid *Maitland*, or whoever may hold the ſaid proteſted bill, is requeſted to take notice that I am ready to pay the ſame, with the damages thereon, and deſire that immediate application may be made.

HUDSON MUSE.

To be SOLD, on Thurſday *the* 16*th of* October, *at* Halifax *courthouſe, being court day*,

FOUR hundred acres of good tobacco and grain land, lying near the ſaid courthouſe of ſaid county; which may be viewed, by any perſon inclining to purchaſe, upon application to mr. *George Vaughan*, who lives on the premiſes. Whoever is deſirous of purchaſing before the day of ſale may know the terms of the ſubſcriber, living near *King & Queen* courthouſe. 2‖ WILLIAM NUN.

To be SOLD for ready money, on Wedneſday *the* 20*th inſtant* (Auguſt) *on the premiſes*,

FIVE hundred acres of very valuable land, a conſiderable part of which is low grounds, lying in the lower end of *Lunenburg* county, on *Meherrin* river, and the whole exceeding good for tobacco, corn, or wheat. Any perſon inclinable to purchaſe before the day of ſale may know the terms of the ſubſcriber, living in *Suſſex* county.—☞ I ſhall attend the ſale.

1‖ SAMUEL HARWOOD.

For SALE,

FIFTY barrels of choice new *HERRINGS*, headed and drawn, for ready caſh, by the ſubſcriber in *Suffolk* town. 1‖ WILLIAM JONES.

FOR ſale, in *Charlotte* county, about 12 miles from the courthouſe, and nine from *Fuqua*'s ferry, on *Staunton* river, 1000 acres of good land for tobacco, corn, wheat, flax, &c. well improved for 6 or 8 hands, whereon is a good dwelling-houſe with ſome rooms on the lower floor, two remarkable good chimnies, one brick and the other ſtone, a large garden, kitchen, dairy, and ſpring houſe, an exceeding fine granary, tobacco houſes, and a ſtill houſe with two ſtills, the houſes chiefly new, and well built, alſo apple and peach orchards ſufficient to make 500 gallons of brandy and 1000 gallons of cider, convenient to church, ſundry mills and fiſheries, there being ſeveral within two miles from the ſaid dwelling-houſe. Alſo 1113 acres of very good land in *Pittſylvania* county, about 25 miles from the above tract, unimproved, well timbered and watered, with exceeding fine range for ſtock. Any perſon inclinable to purchaſe muſt apply to the ſubſcriber, now living on the *Charlotte* tract, before the firſt of *September*, as he will then ſet out to the ſouth, and not return till *Chriſtmas*.

8‖ THO: CARTER.

☞ The ſaid land will ſtill be for ſale after *Chriſtmas*, if not purchaſed before *September*. T. C.

Sixty DOLLARS *Reward*.

IN conſequence of my advertiſement of *February* laſt, all my men that returned home from *Gloucester* town on furlough, for the recovery of their health, have joined their company, except the three following perſons, viz. *Daniel Major*, a ſlender made man, 25 or 26 years old, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high; enliſted in *Orange* county, but ſince has gone I underſtand to *Carolina*. *Thomas Hill*, 23 or 24 years old, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high; enliſted in *Culpeper* county, but lately, as is ſuppoſed, is gone to the back inhabitants. *James Berry*, a mulatto fellow, about 30 years old, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high; enliſted in *Fredericksburg*, but ſerved his time with mr. *Thomas Bell* of *Orange* county. And as I have the greateſt reaſon to ſuſpect they will not return to the regiment, I will give the above reward to any perſon that will deliver them to any continental officer on his march to head quarters, or to the commanding officer at *Williamſburg*, or 10 dollars for each of them. JOSEPH SPENCER, capt.

2‖ 7th regiment.

TAKEN up by the *Lewis* galley, 3 miles without *Smith*'s iſland, now lying at *Queen*'s creek, near *Williamſburg*, a veſſel about 30 tuns burthen, full of water, without rigging, ſails, or cargo; ſhe had been rigged as a ſloop, and her decks are much damaged by the enemy. The owner, if any, is deſired to apply to

CELEY SAUNDERS, capt.

of the *Lewis*.

I PURPOSE embarking in a ſhort time for *Europe*, and ſhould be glad to purchaſe bills of exchange of undoubted credit, or to negotiate them for any one who is deſirous of having their money laid out in the purchaſe of goods; or I would take any ſum of ſpecie to be appropriated in the ſame manner, and have the goods ſhipped at the cuſtomary freight, commiſſion, and incidental charges; or I will enſure the money at 50 *per cent*, and ſuch commiſſion and freight as may be agreed on; and in caſe of loſs either of the ſpecie or of the goods in their paſſage out, I will give undoubted ſecurity for the payment of the money in ſix months after the loſs is aſcertained, in the currency of the ſtate; or if more agreeable, in ſpecie again, as ſoon as it can be had, allowing 5 *per cent* intereſt until it is paid. Any perſon who is willing to come into either of the above propoſals will be pleaſed to apply to mr. *William Anderſon* of *Hanover*, mr. *Thomas Pleaſants* of *Henrico*, or

Their humble ſervant,

THOMAS SHORE.

☞ I have appointed mr. *Chriſtopher M'Connico* my attorney, who will carry on the buſineſs of *Shore* and *M'Connico* as heretofore.

TAKEN up in *Spotſylvania*, a bay mare about 10 years old, with a ſmall ſtar in her forehead, her right hind leg has been broke juſt below the ham, has a remarkable long mane, a ſwitch tail, and branded on the near ſhoulder, as near as I can make out, N I. Poſted, and appraiſed to 6l.

Thomas Megee, jun.

TAKEN up in *Henrico*, about 5 miles above the town of *Richmond*, a roan horſe about 10 years old, about 4 feet 8 inches high, had a bell on, is branded on the near ſhoulder W, on the off ſhoulder I, on the near buttock M, and on the off buttock I or G. Poſted, and appraiſed to 13l.

1‖ *William Burton.*

WILLIAMSBURG: Printed by ALEXANDER PURDIE, at the POST OFFICE.

o be SOLD at *York* town, on *Saturday* the 16th of *Auguſt*,

THE Scorpion *ſloop*, *burthen between 50 and 60 tuns*, Bermudian *built*, *and very faſt ſailer*, *with all her ſails*, *rigging*, *materials*, &c. *an inventory of which may be ſeen by applying at the publick ſtore in* Williamſburg. *For farther particulars inquire of capt.* Wright Weſtcott, *on board.*

WILLIAM AYLETT, A. C. V.

LOST ſome time in *April*, between *Suffolk* and *Williamsburg*, two *TICKETS* in the *STATES LOTTERY*, No. 33 953 and 33 954. I will give two dollars to the perſon who finds and delivers them to col. *John Wilſon* of *Norfolk* county, or the ſubſcriber on board the ſhip *Caſwell*. WILLIS WILSON.

GLOUCESTER, *July* 26, 1777.

ALL perſons having any juſt demands againſt the eſtate of mrs. *Rebekah Rowe*, deceaſed, late of *Glouceſter* county, are deſired to make them known, and prove their accounts on or before the 12th of *Auguſt* next; at which time will be ſold, at the plantation of *Zachariah Rowe*, for ready money, the ſtock of cattle, ſheep, ſome houſehold furniture &c. to diſcharge the debts due from the ſaid eſtate.

2 ZACHARIAH ROWE.
JASPER ROWE.

To be SOLD, *on* Thurſday *the* 14*th of* Auguſt, *on the premiſes*,

FIVE hundred and fourteen acres of valuable land, being the major part of the tract whereon *Robert Eſtes*, deceaſed, lately lived, and upon which *Lunenburg* courthouſe ſtands. It will be ſold either in parcels, or altogether, as may beſt ſuit the purchaſers; and the terms will be agreed on at the day of ſale.

2 ROBERT ESTES. } executors.
ELISHA ESTES. }

Alexandria, *July* 20, 1777.

FOR ſale, a *PILOT BOAT* about 500 buſhels burthen, with two good ſails, and well found with rigging, &c. She ſails remarkably faſt. For terms apply to

JOHN MUIR.

FOURTEEN hundred gallons of very good *St. Croix* RUM, and a few pieces of CANVAS, will be ſold to the higheſt bidder, at *Portſmouth*, on *Thurſday* the 21ſt inſtant (*Auguſt*) for ready money.

SAMUEL BARRON CUNNINGHAM.

NOW in the ſubſcriber's poſſeſſion, at *Sleepy Hole* in *Nanſemond* county, 46 barrels of *FLOUR*, which were delivered to me in *June* 1776, by order of mr. *Joſeph Hawkins*, then commiſſary to the 5th regiment of *Virginia* troops; which I ſhall ſell to pay ſtorage, unleſs it be applied for very ſoon.

LEWIS ALLMAND.

STRAYED or STOLEN from *Blandford*, in *Prince George*, a gray horſe 4 feet 1 or 2 inches high, has a remarkable large head, a cut in the near ear with a knife, and branded on the near ſhoulder and buttock A. Whoever brings the ſaid horſe to me, in *Peterſburg*, ſhall have *TEN DOLLARS* reward.

WILLIAM HORTON.

TAKEN up in *James City* county, near the college, a young bay horſe about 14 hands high, has loſt his left eye, neither ſhod nor cropped, paces, trots, and gallops, but ſtock of ſpirit. Poſted, and appraiſed to 16l. *William Cocke*, jun.

Taken up in *Henrico* near *Curles*, a bay horſe 4 feet 6 or 7 inches high, about 15 years old, has a ſmall ſtar in his head, a ſmall white ſpot on the breaſt, ſeveral ſpots, but is not branded.

John Jones Worſham.

DINWIDDIE, *July* 15, 1777.

THE ſubſcriber hath for ſale about 6000 acres of land near the old town of *Peytonsburg*, in the county of *Pittſylvania*, which in *Amelia* county will ſell from 40s. to 3l. *per* acre, on which are ſeveral ſmall tenements and plantations; alſo 6000 acres on the waters and branches of *Hico* and *Dan* rivers, in the county of *Halifax*, on which are likewiſe ſeveral ſmall plantations and improvements. Alſo 6000 acres in the county of *Mecklenburg*, in different parts of that county; likewiſe ſeveral ſmall pieces of land in the counties of *Dinwiddie* and *Brunſwick*, containing about 400 and 500 acres each.

(tf) ROGER ATKINSON.

RUN away the 17th of *June* laſt, from my plantation near the *Pignut* ridge, in *Fauquier* county, a mulatto man named BAKER HAZARD. He had on a fearnought jacket, with the under part of the ſleeves of white country cloth, a pair of leather breeches, and a brown ſhirt. He is of the middle ſtature, and has a forward impudent countenance. Whoever takes him up, and delivers him to my overſeer, ſhall receive a reward of 5l. over the allowance made by law, or the 5l. for apprehending and ſecuring him in a jail, and giving notice thereof to (4) JOHN SCOTT.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber in *Spotſylvania*, on the 5th inſtant (*July*) *Matthew Fright*, an *Engliſh* indented man about 35 or 40 years old, about 5 feet 9 inches high, of a dark complexion, dark hair and eyes, and is ſomewhat gray and bald. He had on, and took with him, a brown colcured broadcloth coat and waiſtcoat, much worn, an old felt hat, country made cotton ſhirt, old ſhoes, and linen trouſers. Whoever ſecures the ſaid runaway, ſo that I get him again, ſhall have Ten Dollars reward.---It is very probable he may have enliſted with ſome recruiting officer, by pretending that he was a freeman.

JOHN HOLLADAY, jun.

LOUDOUN county, *June* 21, 1777.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber, laſt night, two convict ſervant men, *viz.* *DAVID HINDS*, an *Iriſhman*, about 35 years of age, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, pitted with the ſmallpox, hath a ſmall ſcar or dent on his chin, ſhort black curled hair, and is a little round ſhouldered; he is by trade a ropemaker, and hath formerly been a ſailor. Had on when he went away a tow ſhirt, country cloth jacket, and breeches that he wore laſt winter (they are kerſey wove) old ſhoes and ſtockings, and a felt hat. He took with him other clothing, which I cannot deſcribe, and a *Dutch* blanket. *GEORGE DORMON* (alias *Holderneſs*) born in *London*, about 20 years of age, 5 feet 6 or 8 inches high, ſlim made, has grey eyes, and ſhort light coloured hair; had on when he went away a new tow ſhirt and trouſers, and a ſtraw hat. He was inoculated for the ſmallpox about 3 weeks before he went off had very few pocks, but the inflammation in his arm was not quite well when he went away. I have reaſon to believe they will change their dreſs and endeavour to paſs for ſoldiers, and will, I am certain, enliſt as ſuch the firſt opportunity. All recruiting officers and others, are forbid enliſting or employing them. I will give 5 *DOLLARS* for each to have them ſecured in any jail, or 20 *DOLLARS* for both, or 15 *DOLLARS* for either of them, paying the ſame and all reaſonable expences, including what the law allows. They are artful villains, and if taken muſt get away if they are not well ſecured.

SAMUEL LOVE, jun.

WHEREAS I purchaſed a tract of land lying on *Mattapony* river in the county of *King William*, of mr. *Thomas Moore*, which formerly belonged to his father, col *Thomas Moore*, deceaſed, and gave mr. *Moore* my bonds for the purchaſe money, ſince which a ſuit has been entered againſt mr. *Moore* and myſelf in the county court of *King William*, in chancery, by the adminiſtrators of *John Robinſon*, eſq; deceaſed, to ſtop or attach the money in my hands, in order to ſatisfy a debt due to them from col. *Thomas Moore*, I therefore give this publick notice of it, to prevent an aſſignment of my bonds, as I am adviſed I cannot ſafely pay the money to any perſon who may hold the bonds, until that ſuit is determined.

CARTER BRAXTON.

ALL perſons indebted to the eſtate of col. *Joſeph Hutchings*, deceaſed, are requeſted to pay off their reſpective accounts; and thoſe who have any demands againſt the ſaid eſtate are deſired to make them known, to

JOHN HUTCHINGS. } execs.
MATTHEW PHRIPP. }

For SALE,

A TRACT of LAND, containing 444 acres, in the county of *Dinwiddie*, on *Nottaway* river, near *Lew. Jones's* bridge, and within 35 miles of *Peterſburg*. The land is good for tobacco and all kinds of grain, there are about 150 acres of choice low grounds, a charming apple orchard, and a tolerable dwelling-houſe 28 by 26, together with kitchen, dairy, ſmokehouſe, &c. For terms apply to the ſubſcriber, on the premiſes.

4 JOHN CLORYTON.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber in *Williamſburg*, the 16th of *June* laſt, a young negro fellow named JOHN, about 6 feet high, 17 years old, well grown, with remarkable long feet, and has loſt one tooth before. He is about mr. *Samuel Thomas*'s in *Warwick* county, where he has a father and grandmother, and other relations; and I underſtand trades from thence to *Hampton*, and I imagine paſſes as a free fellow. Whoever brings him to me ſhall have 7 *DOLLARS* reward.

ROBEY COKE.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber in *Surry* county, *North Carolina*, a negro man named *JAMES* about 50 years old, 5 feet 2 or 3 inches high and was formerly the property of *John Poindexter* of *New Kent* county, *Virginia*. Alſo a middle ſized negro fellow named *WILL*, about 30 years old, remarkably black, ſtutters much when he is feared, and was formerly the property of col. *Chiſwell*. Whoever apprehends the ſaid runaways and brings them to me, or ſecures them ſo that I get them again, ſhall be amply rewarded.

THOMAS POINDEXTER.

FREDERICKSBURG, *July* 7, 1777.

STRAYED or STOLEN out of the continental paſture, the 24th of *June*, a ſorrel horſe branded on the near ſhoulder I H, and on the near buttock C P. Whoever delivers him to me ſhall have 5 dollars reward.---At the ſame time received from *Michael Robinſon* jun a dark bay horſe with ſome white hairs, and branded on the near buttock B. He is appraiſed to 13l and ſtrayed to the continental [illegible]

[illegible] taken up in *Dinwiddie* [illegible], a middle about 3 years old, 4 feet 3 inches high, has a ſtar in his forehead, a long white noſe, the reflock of the off hind foot, but is neither docked nor branded. Poſted and appraiſed to 8l. *William Meady.*

To be SOLD, *on the premises, to the highest bidder, for ready money, on* [illegible] *the 20th of* August,

A TRACT of land in *Amelia* county, containing 200 acres, lying on the branches of *Appamattox* within one mile of the river and 10 miles 28 miles above *Petersburg*. It is exceeding good for tobacco wheat, and corn, and there is a sufficient quantity cleared to work 6 or 7 hands to great advantage. Upon the land is a good dwelling house 28 by 16 with [illegible] two rooms below and other [illegible], houses, two good [illegible] barns [illegible], and a good apple and peach orchard. The situation is pleasant and healthy, there are several good springs, and the range is inferiour to none in the country. Any person inclinable to view the land may see it by applying to the subscriber on the premises, or be shewn it on the day of sale.

GEORGE TUCKER.

LOST by the subscriber, on *Friday* the 4th instant (*July*) a red morocco leather POCKET BOOK with about 281 paper currency, besides accounts and other papers of consequence to the owner only. And upwards. One was a 5 [illegible] of the *James* river bank, also a 3 dollar bill, one of 10, one of 8, one of 7, and one of 6 dollars; the numbers I do not recollect, nor the denomination of the other bills. The evening of the day on which I lost the book I went to the *John Derby's*, in the lower end of *Charles* parish, *York* county, which is within a mile of the place where I live. After staying about an hour I got upon my horse, and had not rode five paces before I missed the book out of my pocket. Whoever delivers it to me, and the contents, shall have TEN POUNDS reward.

THOMAS HANSFORD sen.

HUNGTINTOUN, *June* 30, 1777.

FOR sale, on very reasonable terms, about 1200 acres of very rich TOBACCO LAND, on each side *Great Ducker's* creek, in the lower end of *Buckingham* county, near *Appomattox* river. On this land is a well built house having two rooms on a floor, with a porch, necessary outhouses, and an excellent young orchard. I really do not know any richer high ground than is on this tract. Also a plantation, with a good orchard, on each side of *Little Willis's* creek and about 1000 acres of good land. On both places is great plenty of good meadow land, and fine range for stock. I believe no place in *Virginia* is healthier than hereabouts.----I would rent a place called the *New Store*, where capt. *Johns* lives. There is a good dwelling-house with 5 rooms on the lower floor, a merchant's house, a storehouse, &c. It is a very fine place for a store or ordinary, lying within sight of where the great *Buckingham* road joins the *Guinea* road, and there are no other roads leading to our extensive back country nearer than those by *Buckingham* and *Prince Edward* courthouses. I have no doubt but *Appomattox* river will be cleared in a short time, and I hope the next assembly will take it into their consideration. Tobacco has been carried above this place to capt. *Banister's* mill, and the canoe navigation is a much better river to carry tobacco down than *James* river ---I will allow a reasonable discount for part of the money. Any person inclinable to purchase one or both of the above mentioned places, who will come and view the land, I dare say would not hesitate to give me the price I shou[illegible] ask. The land joins the town I live on. An indisputable title will be made to the premises. Possession will be given of the first and third place at *Christmas*, and of the other place in *October* ---, at which time I shall advertise this land for three times.

ANTHONY WINSTON.

[illegible] building [illegible] of timber [illegible] are 250 [illegible] which [illegible] tent.

LET,

[illegible] of *BARRACKS* at *York*, [illegible] rooms sufficient to accommodate [illegible]. Such persons as may be [illegible] to undertake the work are desired [illegible] the Council Board at the Capitol, [illegible] the city of *Williamsburg*, with their proposals, on the 13th day of this month.

By order of the Council.

ARCH: BLAIR, clerk.

August 1, 1777.

Williamsburg, August 1, 1777.

SOME time last *October* a person in this city purchased two casks of *BUTTER*, at 1s *per* pound, from a waggon then standing near the Post Office. The owner of the butter was at the same time directed to call for his money, but having neglected so to do, and being unknown to the purchaser, he is hereby notified, that by inquiring of the printer he may be informed where to apply for payment, when it is expected he will produce an account of the weight perfectly corresponding with that in the possession of the said purchaser, and also defray the expense of this advertisement.

For SALE

ON *Saturday* the 23d instant (*August*) before mr *Robert Nicolson's* store in this city, 250 dozen of linen handkerchiefs, and upwards of 100 weight of fine jesuits bark; the handkerchiefs to be put up in lots of a dozen &c. and the medicine by the single pound, to suit purchasers.

(2) NORTON & BEALE.

Or they will purchase BILLS of EXCHANGE, on any part of *Europe* or the *West Indies*, at an exchange to be agreed on. The money to be paid as soon as they are accepted; and if protested, the drawers not to be liable to damages.

DESERTED from my company formerly commanded by capt. *Patteson*, of the 6th *Virginia* regiment, *John Childress*, about 20 years of age, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, of a dark complexion, has yellow hair, and grey eyes. Whoever apprehends the said deserter, and delivers him to me in *Lunenburg* county, or to any continental officer, shall receive *TEN DOLLARS* reward. *Henry Still*, who was sick in *Buckingham* county when the regiment marched to *New Jersey*, and *John Williams*, who was left sick at *Tawny* town in *Maryland*, are hereby expressly ordered forthwith to repair to some continental officer marching to the grand camp, in order to join their regiment; otherwise they must expect to be considered as deserters, and treated accordingly.

2‖ JOHN STOKES, lieut.
6th *Virginia* regiment.

STRAYED or STOLEN from the subscriber in Fredericksburg, *the 10th of this instant* (July) *a likely bay horse 5 years old 4 feet 9 inches high paces trots and gallops has a large blaze in his face, having mane and long switch tail, a white spot on his breast, occasioned by tar being put on him, has had a fistula, and his near hind leg is white. Whoever brings him to me shall have FIVE DOLLARS reward, and reasonable expenses.* 2‖ JOHN WELCH.

TAKEN up in *Mecklenburg*, on *Roanoke* river, a sorrel horse 11 or 12 years old, 4 feet 6 or 7 inches high, with a blaze face, shod round, branded on the near buttock C, and had a bell on. Posted, and appraised to 11l.

‖ *Thomas Jones*, jun.

TAKEN up in *Stafford*, near *Aquia*, a dark bay horse near 14 hands and a half high, 3 years old, has a star in his forehead, appears to be just broke, trots and gallops, and branded on the near buttock X. Posted, and appraised to 30l.

‖ *John Murray*.

RUN away from the [illegible] *Hoffham* in *Hanover* [illegible] about the last of *May* last, *YORK, OLIVER* and *NASSAU*, three likely young negro men belonging to the publick, and purchased of *Charles Carter*, esq; from his estate in *Lancaster* county, where they are supposed to be gone. *York* is a tall well made fellow, *Oliver* of the middle size, and *Nassau* rather short and very thick. Whoever will deliver the said negroes to mr. *John Reveley* at said foundery, or to either of the subscribers, shall have 40s. reward for each.

RICHARD ADAMS.
NATHANIEL WILKINSON.
TURNER SOUTHALL.

Williamsburg, July 23, 1777.

PURSUANT to an order of *York* county court, appointing us to agree with some person to make the creek navigable through the stone bridge lately erected at the *Capitol Landing*, and to stop up the creek where the old bridge now stands, we give this publick notice, that we shall proceed to let the said work, to the lowest bidder, on *Wednesday* the 6th of next month, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at the *Capitol Landing*.

DUDLEY DIGGES.
JOHN BLAIR.
DAVID JAMESON.
WILLIAM GRAVES.
JOHN TAZEWELL.

Williamsburg, July 25, 1777.

THE subscribers not having it in their power, with conveniency, to settle and collect their partnership and private accounts, they have authorised and empowered *William Pelham* to settle and collect the same, and we hope those indebted to us will discharge their several accounts in a reasonable time; and those we are indebted to are ordered to call for their money.

We have for sale an assortment of patent medicines, among them a few dozen of Dr *Norris's* antimonial drops, so useful in most bilious complaints, also a quantity of jesuits bark, rhubarb, ipecacuanha, manna, and saltpetre, for ready money only.

PASTEUR & GALT.

WANTED immediately, 3 or 4 good *HOUSE CARPENTERS*, also 4 or 5 *NEGRO CARPENTERS*; for which good wages will be given by applying to me in *Williamsburg*. F JARAM.

SIX dollars reward for taking up and delivering *PATTY*, a lightish coloured negro woman, pitted with the small-pox, about 30 years of age, walks well, and generally left, is rather above the middle size, well shaped, a good sempstress, and dresses neatly. J. SYME.

COMMITTED to *York* jail, the 8th of this instant (*July*) a *French* negro man named *John*, who says he ran away from the brig *Northampton*, capt. *Bright*, and that he is a freeman. The owner (if any) is desired to apply for him, and pay charges to

‖ LAURENCE SMITH, sub sheriff.

FOR sale, a fine brigantine on the stocks, which may be launched in one month, burthen about 170 tuns, calculated to carry 12 or 14 carriage guns, besides swivels, and being built for a privateer, it is expected will sail remarkably fast. Her timber is well seasoned, and more than common pains have been taken in the building. She is better calculated for a vessel of force, sailing light, and for burthen, than any one yet fitted out of this commonwealth. Any person inclinable to purchase may know the terms, and be shewn the vessel (on *Elk* river, in *Gloucester* county) by applying to

(1) DIXON & TABI